

# Attica Regional Education Working Group

## MEETING MINUTES

27/04/2017 – SAVE THE CHILDREN OFFICES ATHENS, GREECE

### AGENDA

1. Updates from Partners
2. Ideas for summer activities
3. Off-site education activities
4. AOB

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### MINUTES

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1	<p><b>IAMYOU:</b> The activities are running as usual in Ritsona. The MoE will deliver in Ritsona 2 containers for kindergarten. This might impact their kindergarten, further information is required on planned activities to ensure strong coordination. Uncertainty on the delivery date of the containers.</p> <p><b>Organisation Earth:</b> No major updates for the activities in Skaramagkas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In Lavrio Organisation Earth was implementing education and recreational activities with their own source of funding and private donors. However, funding will end at the end of May and although activities are going well, they will end if no there is no They have one month left. If activities are stopped, the people in Lavrio will have no access to education services or recreational activities. The transportation is not good and not close. Currently 280 refugees live in Lavrio, including approximately 100 children and 20 new-born babies. The MoMP decided to create Safe Zones in the camps. They will be hosted 20 unaccompanied minors in the Safe Zones. It seems that no other actor will provide education and recreational activities because of the distance.</li> <li>Organisation Earth will expand the language programme that they already implement, online platform Erasmus +. They opened it to migrants and refugees. The registered participants can get a certificate in language qualification. The platform has operators. It is an interactive environment. They acquired 500 licences. There are 35 students from Skaramagkas, Schisto and urban area. The selected students are beneficiaries of their other activities implemented by Organisation Earth. The requirement to participate is the basic knowledge of English. They offer spaces with computers in the Municipality of Piraeus and the University of Piraeus. Organisation Earth requested support from IOM for the provision of transportation for the refugees who are interested to participate in this platform. However, IOM are unable to provide any support now, it might be a possibility from September but not before. Organisation Earth are requesting support from any other organisation to provide transportation to the youth participating in this programme.</li> <li>They have football clubs in which they participate refugees from Skaramagkas, Lavrio and the centre of Athens. In Lavrio they do English for adults. They just got the approval for teaching children, but they might not start, since they might not have funding to continue.</li> </ul>	<p>To be disseminated at National-level ESWG: support is required to fund or take-over education activities and recreational activities in Lavrio.</p> <p>To be disseminated at National-level ESWG (for inter-sector coordination): request for support in transportation of beneficiaries to Piraeus for Education activities.</p>

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	<p><b>PRAKSIS:</b> New activities in cooperation with Apostoli - excursions for children 6-12 years old from the urban area. Tuesday-Friday recreational activities 9:00-14:00. Excursions take place on Saturdays for approximately 20 children Piraeus. The transportation is provided from Apostoli.</p> <p><b>IOM:</b> One new reception class school in Kapandriti for 20 students from Malakasa. They confirmed that in Ritsona two containers will be delivered for educational use. Probably 4 to 7 kindergarten classrooms will become operational in middle May but we expect only one (in Elefsina) to operate in the Attica region. IOM will suggest in the national ESWG, by Giannis Baveas, to distribute the consent form for the transportation of beneficiaries. It will be in English, Arabic and Farsi. The consent form will be editable to be adapted with the logos of each organisation.</p> <p><b>SCI:</b> Activities as usual in Schisto. The youth activity/computer classes will be completed next week. It is very well accepted by the community. It is a nice example that can be replicated for youth activities. The English classes of the Mobile Unit in Elefsina will be handed over to DRC mid-May. In Skaramagkas and Malakasa there are no updates. SC is continuing Education activities in Elliniko for the moment, and will ensure close coordination with camp management and other actors regarding relocations.</p>	<p>IOM to distribute the consent form for transportation of minors to any interested NGOs or other organisations.</p>
2 & 3	<p><b>Organisation Earth:</b> They are interested in delivering education services in the framework of the Open Schools. They are focused in the urban activities in the future. Sports activities. In Elaionas 5 times per week they deliver English classes. They are focused and interested in developing activities outside of the camp. They address the beneficiaries through cooperation with other organisations, the already established personal relationships and cooperations.</p>	
4	<p><b>Transportation:</b> The transportation in Ritsona was cut and even the provision of food might be affected. IOM provides currently 4 buses per week, but this will change into 2 buses per week. In each bus there are 50 seats and this is not enough for the residents of the camp. Lavrio has also a problematic transportation. Schisto and Malakasa too. The transportation issue is flagged twice and will be discussed in the national ESWG.</p> <p><b>Enrolment in formal schools:</b></p>	<p>The transportation issue to be discussed in the national ESWG (or intersect or WG), in order to advocate for the issue.</p>

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	<p>The enrolments in the public formal schools are taking place during the period 2-19/5. The MoE is coordinating with the regional directorates for the official enrolments in the public secondary schools.</p>	

**NEXT MEETING: 18/05/2017 – Save the Children Office, no. 81, 28 Oktovriou/Patission street at 1300 (1pm).**